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Honorable James H. Welsh Commissioner of Conservation Office of Conservation P. O. Box 94275 Baton Rouge, LA 70804-4275

Re: Siphonina Davisi Sand, Reservoir A

WEST WHITE LAKE FIELD Vermilion Parish, Louisiana

Dear Commissioner Welsh:

Application is hereby made on behalf of **EL PASO E&P COMPANY**, **L.P.** for the calling of a public hearing, after legal notice, to consider evidence relative to the issuance of an order pertaining to the following matters:

- 1. To establish rules and regulations and to create a single drilling and production unit for the exploration for and production of gas and condensate from the Siphonina Davisi Sand, Reservoir A, in the West White Lake Field, Vermilion Parish, Louisiana, said proposed unit designated SD RA SUA, as shown on the plat attached hereto and made a part hereof.
- 2. To force pool and integrate all separately owned tracts, mineral leases and other property interests within the proposed unit with each tract sharing in unit production on a surface acreage basis of participation.
- 3. To provide that any wells drilled to the Siphonina Davisi Sand, Reservoir A, within or outside of the unit created herein, should be located in accordance with the spacing provisions of LAC 43:XIX.1901 et seq. (Statewide Order No. 29-E).
- 4. To provide that the Commissioner of Conservation should be authorized to reclassify the reservoir by supplemental order without the necessity of a public hearing if the producing characteristics of the reservoir changes and evidence to justify such reclassification is submitted to and accepted by the Commissioner of Conservation.
 - 5. To consider such others matters as may be pertinent.

The Siphonina Davisi Sand, in the West White Lake Field, is hereby defined as being the stratigraphic equivalent of that gas and condensate bearing sand encountered between the depths of 18,380 feet and 21,698 feet (electrical log measurements) in the McMoRan Oil & Gas LLC State Lease No. 18091 No. 1 Well, located in Township 15 South, Range 1 West, Vermilion Parish, Louisiana.

Pertinent data, including well logs, may be obtained, AT THE COST OF THE REQUESTING PARTY, from Louis Gilbert & Associates, 3636 North Causeway Blvd, Suite 204, Metairie, LA 70002, Telephone No. (504) 836-6393.

Pursuant to the Rules of Procedure, pre-application notice was given; however, no request for the conference was received. Therefore, the conference tentatively scheduled for Wednesday, March 28, 2007, WILL NOT BE HELD.

Attached hereto and made a part hereof is a plat outlining the applicant's proposal, along with a list of the names and addresses of the Interested Owners, Represented Parties, and Interested Parties to whom a copy of this application is being mailed. Pursuant to the Revised Rules of Procedure, the plat (being the same plat attached to the pre-application notice dated March 5, 2007) and list of parties are being furnished ONLY to the Commissioner of Conservation and to the District Manager of the Lafayette District of the Office of Conservation; however, the plat and/or list of parties will be furnished to any party requesting a copy. A reasonable effort was made to ascertain the names and addresses of all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties.

Finally, enclosed is our check in the amount of \$755.00 made payable to the Office of Conservation submitted on behalf of the applicant representing the hearing application fee.

Very truly yours,

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Mr. Richard Hudson, Lafayette District Office of Conservation

Interested Owners, Represented Parties, and Interested Parties

